



DCPS Connect

April 2010

Along with flowers and showers April brings annual [DC CAS testing](#). As our 3rd-8th and 10th grade students prepare to demonstrate what they've learned throughout the year, we are offering the adults in their lives their own learning opportunities.

DCPS provides free events and workshops to parents and community members throughout the year; check out ways you can get involved in April.



Help Prepare Your Child for DC CAS

Come to one of our 10 sessions for parents to learn about the DC CAS and some simple ways you can help prepare your student for the test. [Check our website for all dates, times and places.](#)



Eastern Community to Meet Eastern High School Principal Candidates

A slate of committed and talented leaders is now competing for the slot of principal of Eastern High School. [Find out more about how to participate in the community input process on principal selection.](#)



Teen Parents and Our Schools: What More Can We Do?

DCPS is committed to the success of every student in our system. That means we have to think carefully about how to support groups of students who have specific challenges. Pregnant and parenting students face unique challenges and need extra support – what more can DCPS do?

Find out more at our two open discussion forums this month on [Wednesday, April 7](#) and [Tuesday, April 13](#).



The Chancellor is Listening

This is your opportunity to sit down with the Chancellor one-on-one for five minutes and share your most important questions and concerns.

[Chancellor's Office Hours in Ward 1](#)

Thursday, April 8, 6-8 p.m. Bruce-Monroe Elementary School (3560 Warde Street, NW)



Come Discuss the Draft 2010-2011 School Calendar

It's time to finalize the 2010-2011 school calendar, and DCPS would like the community's input. Join us for this year's calendar discussion.

[2010-2011 School Calendar Meeting](#)

Wednesday, April 14, 6:30-8 p.m. Scott Montgomery Elementary School (421 P St. NW)



Learn What Good Teaching and Learning Look Like!

DCPS' new [Teaching and Learning Framework](#) provides clear values and plain language to give principals, teachers, and parents a common understanding about what should be happening in every DCPS classroom.

Learn about the framework, how it affects your child, and its relationship to IMPACT, our new teacher evaluation system, at one of three meetings in this series:

[Teaching and Learning Meeting for Ward 6 Parents](#) *

Tuesday, April 6, 6:30-8 p.m. Eliot-Hine Middle School (1830 Constitution Ave. NE)

[Teaching and Learning Meeting for Ward 4 Parents](#) *

Tuesday, April 20, 6:30-8 p.m. Kelly Miller Middle School (4301 13th St. NW)

[Teaching and Learning Meeting for Ward 5 Parents](#) *

Tuesday, April 27, 6:30-8 p.m. McKinley High School (151 T St. NE)

* This meeting is being held in each Ward as part of a series. Parents from any ward should feel welcome to attend the meeting that is most convenient for them.



Dreaming Big: Chancellor's Community Forum on the DCPS Five-Year Plan

The DCPS five-year action plan provides an ambitious vision for success for the system and the children it serves. Action steps are linked to six interdependent goals: compelling schools, great people, aligned curriculum, data-driven decisions, effective central office and an engaged community. Learn more about and discuss this plan at this month's Chancellor's Community Forum.

[Chancellor's Community Forum in Ward 8](#)

Wednesday, April 28, 6:30-8 p.m. Savoy Elementary School (2400 Shannon Pl. SE)

DCPS Top News Stories

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Celebrate Our Teachers: This Week [Juanita Stokes](#), Pre-School teacher at Payne Elementary School

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Hundreds of DCPS Students to Attend [Annual White House Egg Roll](#)

[Enrollment](#)



Enrollment Opened April 1st! [Enroll your child today](#) so we can be ready for the start of school in August

[Assessments](#)



DC Students a Bright Spot on Nation's Report Card – [NAEP Scores Increase Again](#)

[Check out the video](#) of our engaged students and dedicated professionals at Walker-Jones!

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